

TOOK WHOLE TOWN TO GET WIFE SLAYER

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 19.—Adam J. Boehler, the wife slayer who fought the entire police department of Memphis all morning, died at noon from a bullet fired by Detective Smiddey.

Boehler killed his wife last night by cutting off her head with a razor.

After the murder he fled to a downtown rooming house. A mob of citizens, bent on lynching, followed him.

Boehler barricaded himself in the house, and opened fire on the crowd outside.

In the first battle, Spalding Parsons, a druggist, was shot and killed by Police Sergeant Brett, and Patrolman Wooten was shot and mortally wounded by Boehler.

Mayor Crump then took personal command of the situation, and ordered the entire police department to surround the rooming house, and charge down on it.

This was done. Boehler replied with a hail of bullets. Patrolman Charles Davis dropped to the ground, mortally wounded.

The police were driven back, and a council of war was held. The result of this was that the police secured large pieces of sheet iron and using them as shields, again advanced on the house from all sides.

The roar of battle became louder. The thundering of Boehler's repeating rifles and the police revolvers sounded like a miniature war. Ten thousand peo-

ple had gathered to watch the conflict.

Under cover of the sheet iron, Detectives Smiddey and Hurst climbed to the roof of the rooming house, and bored holes through the ceiling of the room in which Boehler had taken refuge.

Through the holes they poured formaldehyde and bromide. The only result was another hail of bullets from Boehler.

Then the detectives enlarged one of the holes so they could thrust their revolvers through, and opened fire.

Boehler fell at the twenty-fourth shot. He was taken to a hospital, but died shortly after his arrival there.

TAFT PARDONS CAPTAIN OF STEAMER SLOCUM

Washington, Dec. 19.—Bent with his four score of years, to which was added the stigma of a 10-year sentence in Sing Sing, Capt. Wm. H. Van Schaick, master of the excursion steamer General Slocum, upon which 1,030 men, women and children were lost June 15, 1904, was today granted a full pardon by President Taft. The pardon is effective Dec. 25, and is one of the president's first Christmas presents.

Mistress (after the quarrel)—
Norah, you must stay until I get another girl.

Norah—I intend to. It's only roight some wan should tell her the koind of a woman ye are.